

KDHE Bureau of Environmental Field Services

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Who are we?

The Bureau of Environmental Field Services (BEFS) is within the Kansas Department of Health and Environment's (KDHE) Division of Environment. BEFS provides public outreach, technical assistance and inspection support for environmental regulatory programs administered by the four other environmental Bureaus through the six district offices. BEFS also regulates confined animal feeding operations through the Livestock Waste Management section and provides support for reduction of non-point source water pollution through the Watershed Management section.

BEFS is organized into three sections: Livestock Waste Management, Watershed Management and District Office Operations.



Livestock Waste Management

Protects the waters of the state of Kansas by educating and assisting the regulated community, reviewing and issuing Livestock Waste Management Permits, and ensuring compliance with applicable statutes, regulations and permitting requirements



Watershed Management

Implements Section 319 of the Clean Water Act, coordinating programs designed to eliminate or minimize pollution that does not come from the end of a pipe. The section develops and reviews strategies, management plans, local environmental protection plans and county environmental codes intended to control non-point source pollution.



District Office Operations

Administers all environmental program operations at the six Kansas Department of Health and Environment district offices and provides scientific, technical and operational support for KDHE Division of Environment programs. District office staff also respond to man-made and natural disasters, accidental releases, fish kills and harmful algal blooms.

KDHE BEFS District Offices

